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Women's Equality Day 26th of August



The U.S. Congress designated August 26 as "Women's Equality Day" in 1971 to commemorate the 1920 passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, which granted women in the United States the right to vote (known as suffrage). Each year a Presidential Proclamation recognizes the hard work and perseverance of those who have helped secure

women's suffrage.

The women's rights movement originated in Seneca Falls, New York, in July 1847, when Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott initiated a convention "to discuss the social, civil and religious condition and rights of women." The convention's "Declaration of Sentiments" affirmed women are entitled to the same rights as men. One of the resolutions called for universal women's suffrage, and one hundred women and men from all walks of life signed the Declaration.

Today, American women are leaders in business, government, law, science, medicine, the arts, education, and many other fields. Remarkable American women have broadened opportunities for themselves and women around the world. The observance of Women's Equality Day not only com-

memorates the passage of the 19th Amendment, but also recognizes women's continuing efforts toward full equality.



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The United States of America - Focus On:

Miami and Miami Beach



Night view of the downtown of Miami

Like an up-tempo dance song, Miami and Miami Beach pulse with a constant beat, no matter what the hour of the day. South Beach in the sunshine attracts some of the most beautiful people and even features a string of art deco-design

lifeguard stations. Ocean Drive after dark — lit with bright neon reds, greens, blues, and pinks — transforms into a sleek, chic scene found nowhere else on the planet. The Hispanic culture is ever-present, reflected in the cuisine and neighborhoods such as Little Havana, where men speak Spanish, lightheartedly ribbing each other while smoking cigars and playing dominoes on Calle Ocho (8th Street).



The South Beach of Miami, nicknamed SoBe



The Port of Miami

Quiz

The first person who introduced the legislation of the proclamation for Women's Equality Day in Congress in 1971 was

A. President Richard Nixon

B. Bella Abzug

C. President Barack Obama

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